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Editorial

This month the ETUI presented its strategic priorities for the coming work programme, which will begin in April 2023, to our General Assembly. The year to come is a very special one for us as it is the year of the 15th ETUC Congress and its 50th anniversary as an organisation, but also a year in which the ETUI will move to another location and I will pass on my responsibilities to a new General Director for the Institute.

In this upcoming period of internal transitions, the ETUI nevertheless needs to keep its focus, as the outside world is not standing still and various crises are converging to create a looming ‘polycrisis’. In this context, we seek to ensure that our activities remain as relevant as ever, reassessing our priorities in order to respond to emerging and pressing issues. [Read more](#)

Philippe Pochet, General Director ETUI



The ETUC's end the cost of living crisis campaign

The ETUC's End the Cost of Living Crisis: Increase Wages, Tax Profits! campaign continues forward with the ultimate goal of bringing about real change for working people across Europe. With temperatures dropping across Europe and the price of energy skyrocketing, it is more important than ever to increase wages, tax profits, and block prices. Despite some assertions to the contrary, this cost of living crisis is being driven by excess profits – not wages.

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Publications

Strengthening union democracy through connective and collective action logics

In an age of digitalised activism and global decline in trade unionism, with a resulting loss of mobilisation power, the role of social media in union renewal and organising is increasingly important (Pasquier et al. 2020; Wood 2020).

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Remote working and European private international law

The Covid-19 pandemic has greatly impacted the working lives of many. One of the biggest trends has been rapid growth in remote working and hybrid working.

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Work-related psychosocial risks in the healthcare and long-term care sectors

Work-related psychosocial risks (PSR) are a major contributor to the burden of disease in Europe. The health impacts of PSR are evident in the healthcare and long-term care sectors and were brought to everyone's attention by the Covid-19 pandemic.

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Beyond normal central banking? Monetary policy after the pandemic

In recent years the world's two largest inflation-targeting central banks – the US Federal Reserve (the Fed) and the European Central Bank (ECB) – have revised their monetary policy frameworks in a more progressive direction.

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The 2022 Country Specific Recommendations in the social field: quo vadis, EU recovery?

This report provides an analysis of the 2022 Country Specific Recommendations (CSRs) made by the Council, on a proposal by the Commission, concerning social and labour policies.

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Heavier, faster and less affordable cars

Between 1990 and 2019, the European transport sector was expected to reduce its CO₂ emissions by 40 per cent to keep track with the 100 per cent CO₂ reduction target on the 1990 level set by the European Commission for 2050.

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Transfer 3/2022: From just transition to a new concept of the welfare state

Addressing the climate emergency is coming to be recognised as a top policy priority by more and more policy-makers. In order to rein human activity back within planetary limits our entire production and consumption model needs a fundamental, paradigmatic change.

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Since 2020, we have been regularly releasing episodes on our podcast channel (available on [Anchor](#), [Google Podcasts](#), [Apple Podcasts](#), [Spotify](#)), and we have reached over 7000 listeners. Want to know more about Social Europe, worker participation, health and safety, and the wider labour movement? Check out one of our latest etui.podcast episodes!

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Education



Scenarios are stories about the future

Known as a forecasting technique, scenario building is a learning tool and instrument for constructive participation. The aim of working with scenarios is to enhance the integrity of our decisions and actions through placing them in a broader/longer context.

Following the training courses on strategical thinking and foresight, we organised a 3-day workshop on how to use the scenarios method in a foresight project.

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Events

Register now for:

31/01: [Social policy in the European Union: state of play 2022](#)

14/02: [Future of work: working with and through digital technology](#)

SAVE THE DATE 09/02 ETUI conference: "Rethinking the European single market. Moving towards a highly competitive, socio-ecologically sustainable, and resilient Europe" (*more info will follow in the second week of January*)

Watch here the recordings of these past events in case you have missed them, or check out the presentations:

17/11: [AI talks @ ETUI: Agency, autonomy, and accountability: the view from the margins](#)

22/11: [Preventing damage to the mental health of health and care workers \(ETUI-EPSU virtual conference\)](#)

8-9/12: [ETUI-ETUC-EEB-ULB-EP conference " A just transition beyond growth"](#)

16/12: [AI talks @ ETUI: Collective bargaining on algorithms](#)

Media

- A&W blog, [Die Europäische Mindestlohn-Richtlinie – Paradigmenwechsel für ein soziales Europa](#) (29 Nov 2022)
- De Standaard, [De Chinese arbeiders pikken het niet langer](#) (25 Nov 2022)
- Ici Radio, [Crise de l'énergie et série de grèves en Europe : Entrevue avec Philippe Pochet](#) (13 Nov 2022)

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